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**JURY CONVICTS HEPHZIBAH MAN OF KIDNAPPING**

Lisa Godbey Wood, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, announced today that **Ronnie Lee Douglas, Jr., age 24, of Hephzibah, Georgia**, was convicted by a jury on October 20, 2005 in U.S. District Court, Augusta, Georgia, following a four-day trial. Douglas was convicted on two counts of kidnapping, one count of robbery, and one count of car-jacking related to an incident at Fort Gordon Military Reservation in which Douglas accosted a woman and her minor child in a parking lot, forced them into their vehicle, and transported them to an ATM where he robbed the woman. Douglas will be sentenced upon the completion of a pre-sentence investigation report. The charges for which he has been convicted carry a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the United States Army Criminal Investigation Division. Special Agent Charles McKee, III, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, led the investigation. The United States was represented by Assistant United States Attorneys Jay Weimer and Kyle Wallace.

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